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(via Campaign Finance Software)

Antoinette Kitchen, Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re:LOctober Quarterly Report (7/1/02 to 9/30/02)

Dear Ms. Kitchen:

␣This message concerns the above-identified report filed by Missouri Republican Party State Committee - Federal Committee (MRP). You sent the MRP a letter dated February 20, 2003 noting questions about the report. The MRP has reviewed that report and addressed most of your concerns. However, the MRP has not been able to address all of your concerns due to the limitations of its campaign finance software. The outstanding concerns pertain to practices that MRP changed after a Federal Elections Commission (FEC) audit. MRP employee Stacey Blomberg has communicated with the software vendor, FEC audit division employees, yourself, and various other people regarding the information that the FEC requires and the best way to electronically file that information. As of March 10, the issue has not been resolved.

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␣Accordingly, the MRP requires additional time to respond to your letter and file an amended report. The MRP employee responsible for preparing the amended report - Ms. Blomberg - will be at the FEC's Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act (BCRA) training seminar in Washington, D.C. for the rest of this week. Therefore, even if a solution is identified in the next few days, she will not be able to implement that solution and file the report until she returns. Assuming a solution has been identified when Ms. Blomberg returns, the MRP anticipates responding to your letter by Monday, March 24, 2003.

The MRP wanted to make you aware of the reason for the delay. If you have any questions, please let me or the MRP know.

␣Sincerely,

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